

Never during my pastorate here has the church been as deeply in earnest, and never were the prospects for continued growth greater. There will be continued effort to reach the unsaved, and we hope many good reports will come from this church the coming year.

At the meeting on January 21, \$100 was subscribed to the support of Washington Mission to be paid in twelve equal monthly payments. I saw no report of it, so mention it here.

E. E. HASKINS.

#### Spiritual Gleanings

At our regular appointment on last Lord's day at Loree, we received two by letter from the Mount Pleasant congregation. We were glad to welcome them in to our fold. The church at this place is moving along fairly well. The Sunday school is interesting. The S. S. C. E. is doing good work, and the C. E. is doing well. We have good congregations at all our services. So the readers will see we are not sleeping, yet I do feel that all our congregations should have on the whole armor against spiritual wickedness in high places and watch as well as pray. Our Master has said that in the last day false Christs and false prophets shall arise and show signs and wonders to seduce if it were possible even the elect. I believe the time has come when we should try the spirits, whether they be of God, for it is a fact that many have gone out into the world. There never has been a time in the history of the world that we needed a plainer gospel than the present time. Not so much soothing syrup and something to tickle the ear. Men who are not afraid to tell people of their sins. God bless precious Zion.

D. A. HOPKINS.

Twelve Mile, Ind.

#### Notes From Zed H. Copp.

Three baptisms Sunday afternoon and one confession at night closed the week's special meetings for the Spirit filled life. At the morning service many stood up in answer to the call for a full surrender and an absolute consecration of all to Jesus. May the Lord keep us all upon the altar.

Thank the Lord that Washington has the prospect of her own church home—may it be fully realized. At the same time don't forget that Dayton is actually hampered for want of a larger church home. It is coming, too, and I hope you may have a share in it. Will you?

Special thanks to Brother Welty, of Louisville, for twenty five song books for the church, and to Sister Flo Fahrney, of Bear Creek, for some high grade "substantials."

*Sunday school Work.*—Open your school on time with or without—what? Why, "with" a full attendance, if possible, but if not then "without." Quit the same way. Wait for no one earthly. If you teach, study the lesson until you have mastered it as far as you can. If you're a scholar, do the same, for both teacher and scholar

should be satisfied with nothing short of all that may be known. When this is done the close is changed from the nature of a hydraulic press to an artesian well.

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Bethel, Mich.

We have nothing special to report from this place only we are still moving along towards the better land endeavoring each day to make some advancement in grace and a better knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Not simply content ourselves with what we read about him, even in the Bible, we want an experimental knowledge, we want to experience the feeling of his Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we have been born of the Spirit, and we want to experience that we have been quickened, to experience that for us to live is Christ and this we can know by the fruit we bear. We want an experience of being his child and because we are his child we are an heir of God to that inheritance which is incorruptible and undefiled that fadeth not away.

We want an experience like Paul who by not simply getting enough religion into his life to get into the church and partake of the communion and let the best of the church carry all of the burden and him too, but who made the religion of Jesus Christ his life, and could say, for we know that if this earthly house be dissolved we have a building of God.

We want to daily walk and talk with Jesus. We want an experience fraught with the knowledge we are his sheep and because we are his sheep no one shall be able to pluck us out of the Father's hand. We want the experience in our souls that because he lives we shall live also, and many more experiences I could allude to which it is necessary to have in order that our joy may be full, but one more I want to mention and that is this: we want to or ought to realize that we have a mission in this world and that mission is not as some seem to do and feel to get something to eat and then sit down like the ox, horse, or mule. Jesus never said to the horse, as my Father sent me so send I you. Brethren and sisters, do you hear the proclamation from Calvary and lo, I am with you alway. Now these things can never be attained to by being simply a nominal Christian, letting the Bible lay around until the dust gets so thick upon the cover that you could track the mice upon it or write your name upon its back, neither can you attain to that degree of joy and neglect the family altar, and many more things I could mention which are means of grace and bring us into divine touch and power from on high.

Now when a man argues that we can get along without all the means of grace he is preaching that salvation is unconditional.

But now for the church in Washington. Come, brethren, a name that is above every name, let's make our name glorious, now come let's surprise Brother Cassel and Lyon by raising that money. Come one, come all.

Brother Ridenour I will make it three more towards the amount.

What has become of the Michigan Mission Board? I thought that we elected one at our last conference, and they elected an evangelist, too, but put him in a cold storage by tying his hands and feet, depriving him the privilege of visiting even the churches and can go no other place to preach without the consent of the mission board, and then to go home and remain there in stalk silence. At this rate of evangelizing the world I think it will be a long time yet before the Millennium.

WALTER CLARK.

Enon, Waterloo, Iowa

While there is nothing of special interest to report for January yet our work is moving along nicely. With the exception of one Sunday we were able to have regular services. On account of stormy weather and rough roads these services were not so very largely attended. We have a very good Sunday-school this winter. In comparing last year's report for January with this year's it shows an increase in attendance. We trust it will continue thru out the whole year. Our K. C. society is small because of some of our young people being away at school, and on account of sickness, nevertheless we have good, helpful meetings. Soon brother Eli Hoover's and Isaac Whipkey's will leave for Trent, South Dakota, where they have bought farms. These families will be greatly missed by the church and their many friends. Pray for us that we may be able to get new ones into the church to fill these vacant places. Our quarterly business meeting was held on the afternoon of Feb. 9.

ANNA HOOVER.

Roanoke, Va.

As the work in Washington, D. C., has been so richly blessed of the Lord in that we have secured a church house on such advantageous terms it behooves us to do the work of the Lord's stewards well, by sending to Brother Cassel our subscriptions at once. To withhold those subscriptions is to defraud the Lord, because we have honestly pledged those amounts to him. I also fully approve of Brother Ridenour's suggestion of one dollar from each member. Brethren, we can do it if we are loyal to and love the brotherhood as we are commanded. I have another suggestion to meet the claim of the mortgage. I will be one of 200 who will pledge five dollars per year for three years. Now send in your pledges. Those who cannot pledge five dollars can pledge what they feel able to give. Send your pledges.

D. C. MOOMAW.

#### How a Lost Sister Was Found

The Christian.

A city missionary in Brooklyn, N. Y., recently told to a friend of the writer the following incident: He was going one day thru his district work, work that brought him into contact with so much misery and sin, that, but for his faith in the remedial power of

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